







# Visualization Tools For Public Involvement

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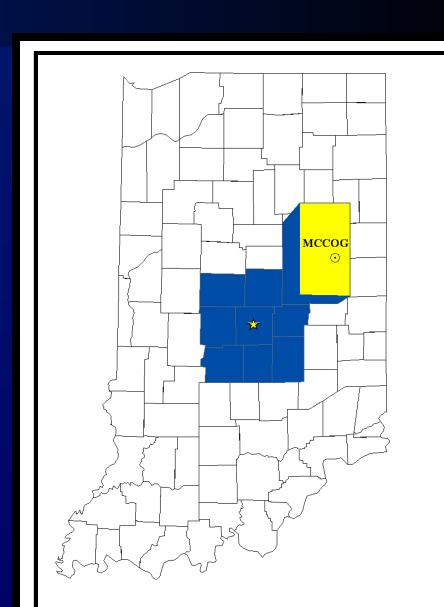




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# Study Area

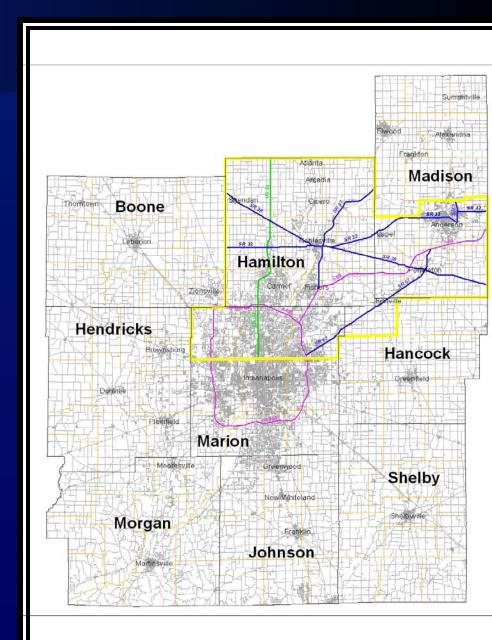
- 700 Square Miles
- 20 Incorporated Areas
- 450,000 + people
- 1.5 million people in 30 mile radius of Madison County



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# Study Area

- Madison County
- Northeast Marion County
- Southern Hamilton County
- Northwest Hancock County.



## Situation

- Madison County contributes between 34,000 and 40,000 vehicle trips daily to northern Indianapolis at I-69 and I-465
- Trip rates expected to increase greater than population growth
- Agricultural fields, woodlots, and wetlands converted to strip malls and big box retail, subdivisions, & suburban industrial parks at > 89,000 acres a year



# Purpose of Study

The project will provide a unique, long-range regional focus on

- the consequences of current land use and transportation decisions on the consumption of land
- the development of tools to preserve land through regulatory & analytical tools for both land use & transportation
- the development of a livable communities model that concentrates of preservation & creation of livable communities utilizing small town as the paradigm

# **Purpose of Study (continued)**

The project will provide a unique, long-range regional focus on

- the benefits possible through certain changes in the development pattern process & the development of a cost alternative model
- the development of state-of-the-art alternative public input mechanis for both public participation and education to produce a long-term vision for the greater county regional area

# **Supporting Objectives**

- 1) Improve the efficiency of the corridor transportation system
- 2) Reduce the impacts of transportation on the environment
- 3) Reduce the need for costly future public infrastructure
- 4) Ensure the efficient access to jobs, services, and trade centers
- 5) Encourage the private sector to consider broadening current development paradigms

## **Defining Livable Communities**

- Awahnee Principles: comprehensive frameworks to guide development and enhancement of communities.
- Neo-Traditional Developments: physical models that exemple community through architectural design and neighborhood layout.
- <u>Sustainable Communities</u>: integrated approach to strength communities, emphasizing the balance between social, economic, a environmental aspects.
- <u>Smart Growth</u>: formal development tools implemented government to guide the location for development and reward protection of resources.

## **Two Basic Units in Livable Communities**

•Streets or Pathways: the foundational blocks for tying all componer of the community together. They provide the basic interface for circulation as well as the movement of goods and people.

•Neighborhoods: the basic unit where the majority of activity should take place for life.

# **Visioning**

- A process by which a community envisions the future it wants, and plans for how to achieve it
- It promotes consensus building by bringing people together through shared visions of what they want their community to become
- Once a community has reached a common vision, it can begin the process of working consciously to work toward that vision or goal
- A vision statement is the formal method of depicting what a commun wants to become in the future. This statement is the starting point for the creation and implementation of action plans

## **Visioning Techniques**

- Visual Preference Survey: A technique developed by Anton Nelessen that utilizes picture images to ascertain what a community likes in terms of the built and natural environment. Images of various types of environments (streets, parking lots, site designs, residential, commercial, parks, transit landscaping, civic structures, etc.) are displayed through slides or pictures for each participant to rate The scores are tabulated to determine likes and dislikes from the community.
- Visual Graphics Survey: A technique that contrasts images about development forms from pictures and drawings. This technique is a modified version of the Visual Preference Survey.
- Visual Design Charrettes: The charrette is normally a three to seven day intensive, collaborative effort that brings together concerned citizens and stakeholders to develop a detailed and finished design plan for a specified area of a community.
- Visioning Brainstorming: Visioning is an exercise that brings together as many citizens and stakeholders as possible to establish a common, practical vision regarding the future of a community This technique rarely uses images. It is utilized to develop goals and objectives for long-range policy.

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# Visual Graphics Survey Design Comparisons



## Typical Urban Arterial/Highway Design

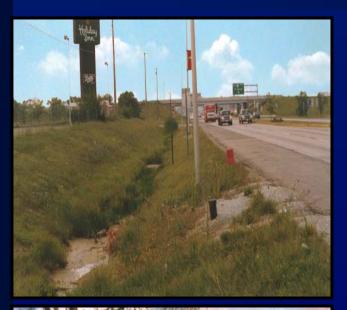
- •Sidewalks adjacent to street
- •No median
- •Signage clutters corridor & distracts drivers
- Vehicle safety takes precedence over other modes
- •No landscaping



## **Alternative Urban Arterial/Highway Design**

- •Sidewalks separated by planting strip
- •Planted median to improve visual separation
- •Signage reduced to minimal visual impact
- •Improved safety for all modes of travel
- •Landscaping frames corridor

# Visual Graphics Survey Design Comparisons



## Typical Urban/Suburban Highway Design

- •Open ditch drainage on urban arterial highway
- •Signage not to scale for corridor
- •No landscaping, no buffers on side of road
- No sidewalks
- Median not landscaped



## Alternative Urban/Suburban Highway Design

- •No open ditch drainage
- •Separation of pedestrian & vehicular traffic by planting strip
- Set-back signage
- •Planting strip wide enough for trees
- Median landscaped

# Visual Graphics Survey Design Comparisons



## Alternative Urban Arterial/Highway Design

- •Driving lanes not separated by median
- •Minimized number of lanes
- •Parking on both sides of street
- •Landscaping separates travel modes
- •Landscaping frames corridor



## Alternative Urban Arterial/Highway Design

- •Driving lanes not separated by median
- •Minimized number of lanes
- •Landscaping separates travel modes
- •Intensified lighting improves night safety
- •Design & landscaping frame corridor

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## Visual Graphics Survey Design Comparisons



## **Typical Urban Arterial Intersection**

- •Traffic channelization handled by asphalt island
- •Design does not allow safe interface between modes of travel
- •Design of channelization reduces visual recognition, specifically at night & some seasons
- •No designated crossing for pedestrians
- •No landscaping or grade separation



## **Alternative Urban Arterial Intersection**

- •Traffic channelization handled by raised green island
- •Design provides for better & safer modal interface
- •Design of channelization provides for better visual separatio traffic in all lighting conditions & seasons
- •Pedestrian crossings marked
- •Landscaping & grade separation

# Visual Graphics Survey Design Comparisons



## **Alternative Urban Corridor Design**

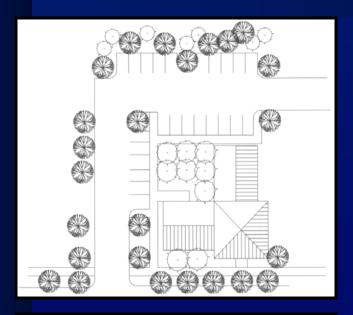
- •Design provides for excellent separation of modal travel
- •Lateral concrete sections provide traffic calming effect
- •Raised planted median offers pedestrian refugee
- •Multiple access points and landing zones for pedestrians transit
- •Safety for all modes of travel built into design



## **Alternative Urban Corridor Design**

- •Landscaping frames corridor
- •Design provides for excellent separation of modal travel
- •Use of paving material to indicate entrance into high pedestria usage corridor
- •Sidewalks & landing zones separated from traffic by landscaping

# Visual Graphics Survey Design Comparisons



## **Off-Street Parking**

- •Parking lots should be located to side and rear of buildings
- •Parking should not be permitted in the front setback or be in front of any building adjacent to the street, including corner lots
- •Side yard parking should be limited to a single row of vehicles, and should be well buffered from the street



## **Off-Street Parking**

- •Parking lots should be screened from the street and sidewalk with landscaping, berms, wall and or fences
- •Landscaping should be designed to provide direction for both vehicular and pedestrian traffic
- •Landscaping should separate pedestrian and vehicular traffic

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# **Visual Tools for Development Ordinances**

#### R1 - Single-Family Residential District

"R1" District Intent, Permitted Uses, and Special Uses

#### District Intent

The "R1" District is intended to provide for the development of large single-family detached homes on medium-sized lots. The provisions that regulate this land use district should provide for the development of medium density residential neighborhoods

Madison County's Plan Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals should strive to integrate this type of neighborhood with higher density residen tial developments and neighborhood-serving commercial facilities. This district should be protected from conflicting land uses and be located in proximity to "CR" districts in a way that does not inhibit farming prac-

The Plan Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals should strive to promote an average net density of 2.0 to 2.5 dwelling units per acre community-wide in the "R1" district.

Control Ordinance

#### Permitted Uses

#### Agricultural Uses agricultural crop production agriculture crop processing (of materials produced on-site)

- agriculture crop storage (of materials produced on-site) farm implement storage (operable
- implements used in the farming operation - not for sale)

#### Residential Uses

- dwelling, single-family manufactured home (type I)
- manufactured home (type II) residential facility for developmentally

Use Notes & Subdivision Specifications

The flood hazard provisions of this Ordinance shall apply to all districts as specified in Article 6, Section 6.10.

The subdivision of land in this district shall be consistent with the specifications of the Madison County Subdivis

Any district may be rezoned to "PD" (Planned Unit Development) as specified in Article 9 of this Ordinance

The Corridor Development Overlay District shall apply as specified in Article 4 of this Ordinance

- disabled/mentally ill child day-care home home occupation (type I)
- Institutional/Public Uses nature preserve passive recreation trail

#### Special Uses

#### Agricultural Uses grazing and pasture land livestock

#### Residential Uses

- dwelling, single family (acce an additional dwelling) assisted living/retirement fac
- nursing home home occupation (type II) bed and breakfast facility

#### Institutional/Public Uses parks and recreation uses

institutional uses (small sca police fire or rescue station church or other place of wor government office/facility school (P-12)

#### Communication/Utilities

- utility substation public wellfield/pumphouse
- water tower wireless telecommunications

## R1 - Single-Family Residential District

"R1" District Standards



- Minimum Lot Area: +12,000 square feet
- Minimum Lot Width:

#### Minimum Lot Frontage:

- 70% of the lot width (consistent with the requirements of the Subdivision Control Ordinance)
- Maximum Lot Depth:
- •2.5 times the lot width

#### Sewer and Water:

\*Requires connection to public water and sewer



- Minimum Front Yard Setback: . 50 feet when adjacent to an Arterial
- \*35 feet when adjacent to a Collector
- \*30 feet when adjacent to a Local Road
- Minimum Side Yard Setback
- . 5 feet each side

\*20 feet total

Minimum Rear Yard Setback



- Maximum Lot Coverage: square footage of all primary and accessory structures, and impervious surface cannot exceed 35% of the Lot
- Minimum Living Area: . 1,800 square feet
- Minimum Ground Floor Area: .40% of the total living area
- Maximum Primary Structures per

# Flat Phoof Structures Gable Roof Structures

#### Maximum Structure Height:

- +35 feet for the Primary Structure
- +25 feet for Accessory Structures +All telecommunication facilities shall conform to the requirements of Art. 6

#### Additional Development Standards that Apply Entrances/Drives (ED)

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upation (HO)

Lot, Yard, & Density (LY) Height (HT) Sight Visibility (SV) \*SV-01 Page Accessory Structure (AS) Open Space (OS) OS-01 P + AS-01 + AS-03 Home Oc \* HO-01 Buffer Yard (BY) \* BY-01 Page 99 Environmental (EN) \* TF-02 Page 102 Flood Hazard Area (FH)

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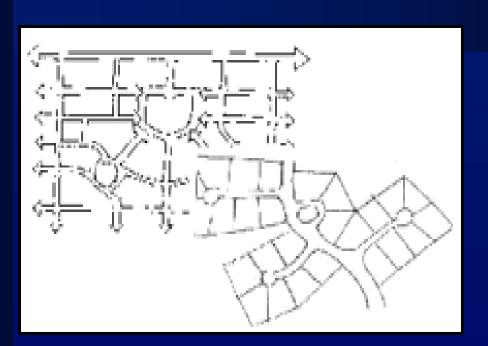
The Use Matrix at the end of this Article (p80 & 81) provides detailed use listings.

Parking (PK)

\* PK-06

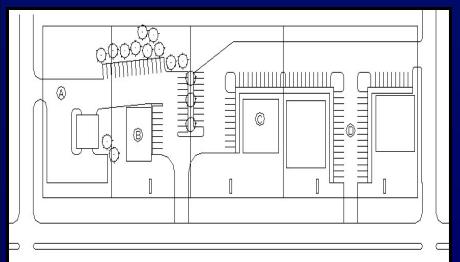
• PK-07

## **Visual Tools for Plans & Ordinances**



Grid Streets are a web of intersecting streets that are rectilinear in their alignmen and orthogonal at intersections.

Curvilinear **Streets** web ( are intersecting streets that do not intersect right angles but follow the curve of the land



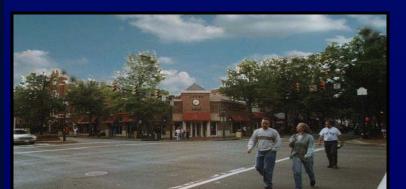
Corridor Preservation – Refers to an technique that state and local governmen use to protect existing transportation corridors or planned corridors from inconsistent development in an effort t minimize negative environmental, social, o economic impacts (e.g., shared access of

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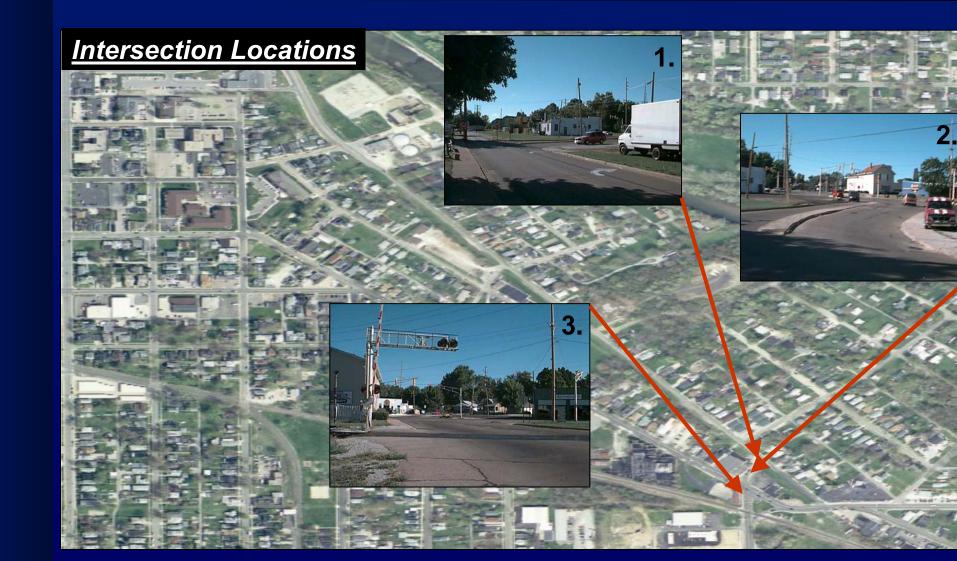




Access Control- The process of land managing to access development to preserve the safety and efficiency of the transportation system.

Pedestrian Friendly – Uses that generate pedestrian interest, safety, and activity or that are within a suitable walking distance from each other.

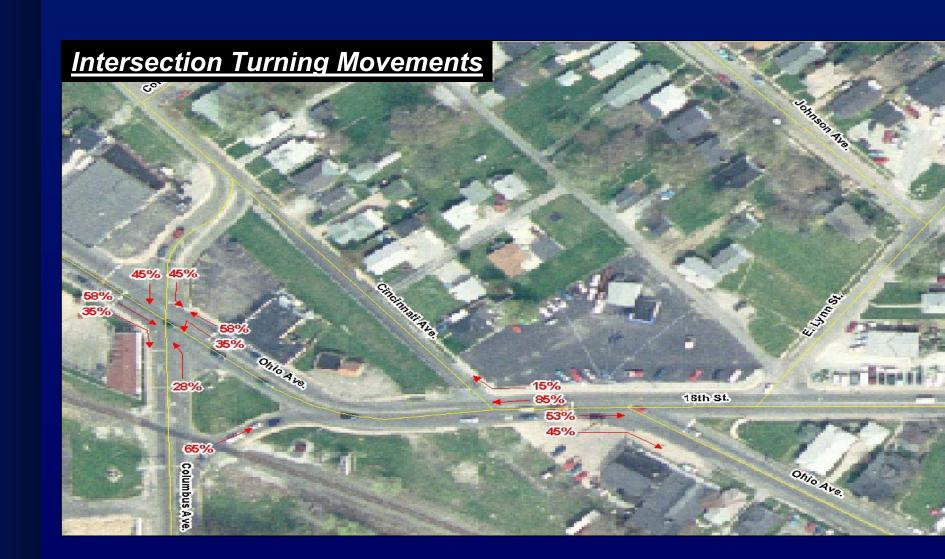
# **Visual Tools for Corridor Study Presentation**



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## **Existing Conditions**

- •Curb Radius too sma
- •Building limits curb radius
- •Lanes too narrow
- •Deteriorated sidewa
- •Existing access at co
- •Limited & poor stree lighting
- Above ground utilit

## Recommendations

- •Lane widening
- •Increase curb radius
- •New sidewalks
- •New curb and gutter
- •New street lighting
- •Remove structure
- •Remove access cut
- Add landscaping
- Buried utilities

# **3-D Visualization Tools**



**Ladysmith Town Center** Perspective

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## **3-D Visualization Tools**



**Ladysmith Town Center** Perspective

Ladysmith Town Center Plan View



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## **3-D Visualization Tools**



Riviera Beach, FL
US 1 Existing Corridor

<u>Riviera Beach, FL</u> US 1 Proposed Corridor



## **3-D Visualization Tools**





Riviera Beach, FL Existing Downtown Corridor

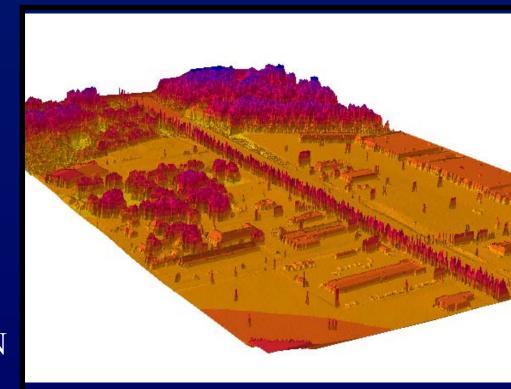


Riviera Beach, FL Downtown Corridor: Alternative Ordinance

Riviera Beach, FL Downtown Corridor: Proposed Ordinance

## **3-D Visualization Tools LiDAR**

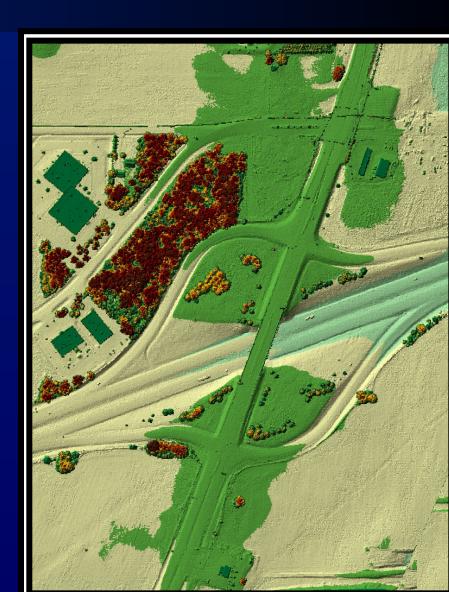
- LiDAR Point Cloud Data
- Ortho-Photography Project
- MPA Region
- 500 Square Mile Area
- State Road 9 in Anderson, IN



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## **Integration of Visualization Tools**

- LiDAR Bare Earth Data
- Ortho-Photography Project
- Site Study
- I-69 Interchange 22



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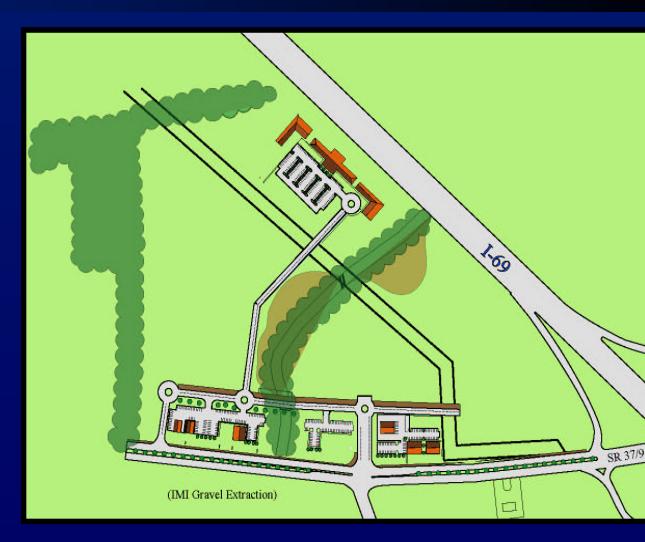
- Aerial Photograph
- Site Study
- Site Recommendations
- I-69 Interchange 22



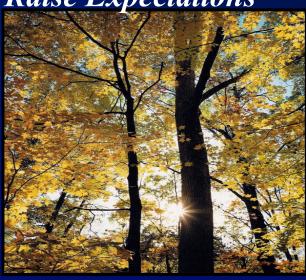
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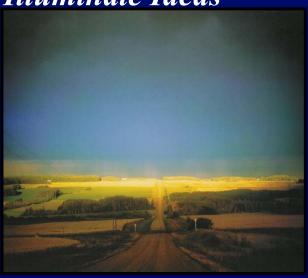
- Site Study
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Raise Expectations



Illuminate Ideas



Sustain Environment



Remember Heritage



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# Summary

"Great streets do not just happen. Overwhelmingly, the best streets derive from a conscious act of conception and creation of the street as a whole. The hands of decision makers are visible."

Allan B. Jacobs

"The people of cities understand the symbolic, ceremonial, social and political roles of streets, not just those of movement and access. Regularly, they protest widening they object to high volumes of fast traffic on their streets. On the other har proposals to improve existing streets, to make them special, great places are common and are regularly approved by voters who tax themselves to achieve this end."

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